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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I have exactly one choice in high-speed Internet access -- a cable company that has sees its main mission as being a monopoly and constantly raising prices.

I have two options for low-speed access: the phone company and a DSL competitor. This is only possible because Congress and regulators ensured, in the 1996 Telecom Act, that phone companies would have to rent the copper lines to competitors.

The FCC is considering rules that would let the phone company end this requirement. It is a catastrophic idea for competition now and in the future.

Please do not let Big Telecom destroy what is left of competition

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